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- - 1. On the 15th of June the Bulgarian military authorities of Deven transported supplies, flour, and assumition on trucks to the village of Konstentzik. From there they were transported on pack animals or on wagons to the 12th, 13th, and 14th Bulgarian guard-posts. The amount of supply as and flour was large, because almost daily, from 15 June to 3 August 1947, 15 pack animals and three or four wagons full of sacks passed through the village. The Bulgarian military authorities kept saying that these supplies were destined for the men. of the guard-posts, to meet their needs during the ocning winter. This, however, is not true because the quantity of flour and supplies transported cannot be reconciled with the strength of the guard-posts. The supplies and flour ere thought to have been given to the Greek bandits.
 - 2. On 25 July 1947 ten or 15 loaded pack animals with ten or 15 persons in Bulgarian army uniforms leading them were observed at Masakelik on Mt. Beimete near the Greco-Bulgarian border opposite the Greek place called Bozala. The pack animals crossed the Greek-Bulgarian border and entered Greek territory.
 - 3. About the end of June or the beginning of July near the hill Sefera-Covitsa, beside the Greek-Bulgarian border, three wounded Greek bandits were seen being carried by Bulgarian soldiers into the interior of Bulgaria. The wounded were wearing army blouses and civilian brousers.
 - 4. In the forest region between the 12th and 14th Bulgarian guard-posts there are Greek bandits, who are supplied with food and other meessities by the Bulgarian military authorities of Deven. These bandits make reids into Greek territory, and when they are pursued by the Greek Army forces they return to the same place in Bulgarian territory.

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